STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT ONL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE BEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF HEARING:

APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE OPERATING, INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY NEW MEXICO

CASE 13147

FRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Chesapeake Operating Inc. submits this pre-hearing statement as required by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARENCES OF THE PARTIES

APPLICANT

ATTORNEY

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OPPONENT

ATTORNEY

None

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FATEMENT OF THE CASE

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Chesapeake Operating Inc., in accordance with Section 70-1-17.C and Division Rule 1207.A(1)(b) seeks a compulsory pooling order pooling all mineral interest in the Upper Pennsylvanian formations, including the Northeast Lovington-(Upper) Pennsylvanian Pool, underlying a standard 80-acre spacing unit consisting of the E/2NE/4 of Section 7, T16S, R37E, Lee County, New Mexico for its Caudill "7" Well No. 1 to be drilled as a unorthodox well meation in Unit P of this section and the designation of Chesapeake Operating Inc. of the operator plus the standard provisions of the Division's compulsory pooling order including a 200% risk factor penalty in accordance with Commission Order R-11992, effective August 15, 2003

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES

Lynda Townsend (land)

EST. TIME

EST. EXHIBITS

by affidavit

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

None

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